

# Ngāti Toa School

## Pānui wiki tuawaru Wāhanga tuatoru 2025



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Tēnā koutou katoa,

Kua oti ngā mahi a ngā kaihanga i te whakahou i tō mātou hōro. Kua tuwhera anō te hōro. Tēnā koe mātua Taku, nāna i tā i te kawa o te hōro o Te Kura o Ngāti Toa. The work is finished on the school hall school. Thank you to Taku Parai for his blessing of the Ngāti Toa School Hall. Ngā mihi atu rā ki te iwi o Ngāti Toa Rangatira.

### Attendance

Congratulations to all the whānau who made sure their tamariki attended school every day this week – ka rawe! These whānau have been entered into the draw to win a meat pack. The draw will now take place on Monday – good luck to everyone who's in!

We'd also like to say a big thank you to those who got in touch with us when their tamariki were unwell or unable to attend. Keeping us informed helps us support your child's learning and wellbeing.

### Achievement Update – Pānui / Pangarau / Tuhituhi

Last week, we shared Ngāti Toa School's achievement goals and targets for Pānui (Reading) and Pāngarau (Maths). This week, we'd like to explain our Tuhituhi (Writing) goals, which are slightly different as we are focusing on targeted groups of ākonga (students).

Ngāti Toa School uses AsTTle assessments, which report ākonga achievement using curriculum sub-levels, such as: 1B → 1P → 1A → 2B → 2P → 2A → 3B → 3P → 3A → 4B → 4P → 4A.

These sub-levels will be used to measure progress in 2025.

Curriculum Expectation for year 1-2			Curriculum Expectation for year 3-4			Curriculum Expectation for year 5-6			Curriculum Expectation for year 7-8		
1B	1P	1A	2B	2P	2A	3B	3P	3A	4B	4P	4A

### Tuhituhi (Writing) Goals and Targets

#### Writing Goal / Whāinga:

All ākonga will improve their writing achievement by at least 1 sub-level, or more.

#### Writing Targets:

- Years 1–3: 30% of students will improve by 1 sub-level or more. (Note: This percentage reflects the challenge of progression at this curriculum level due to the wide range.)
- Years 4–6: 50% of students will improve by 1 sub-level or more.
- Year 7 (ākonga who currently sit at 2B–2A): 50% will progress to at least 3A. (This is a significant shift, but we are confident in achieving it.).



## PB4L Support – Ngā Uara

Over the past two weeks, kaiako have been teaching and reinforcing positive behaviour expectations in the corridors. These expectations help ensure our shared spaces are calm, safe, and respectful.

Corridor Expectations:

- Move safely and calmly
- Respect the learning of others
- Keep belongings stored tidily

When these expectations are followed, our corridors become much more welcoming and pleasant for everyone.

These expectations also reflect and strengthen our school values / Ngā Uara, especially Aroha – showing care and respect for others and our environment.

## Te Wiki o te reo Māori

The last week of this term is te wiki o te reo Māori. Ngāti Toa School kaiako and kaiawhina promote te reo Māori everyday through instruction and using ngā kupu māori as much as possible. Te wiki o te reo Māori is an opportunity to promote te reo through everyday activities. Many whānau use te reo Māori at home. Ka tata mai te wiki o te reo Māori. Ka whakamahi ngā kaiako me ngā kaiawhina i te reo i roto i te kura. Ko tēnei te wā kōrero i te reo Māori ki ngā tamariki me ngā mokopuna. E te whānau, kia kaha i te reo.

## Ngā Tamariki

At Ngāti Toa School all ākonga participate in science using science kits we get every week from The House of Science. This week our senior ākonga went to the Science Road Show to extend their experiences and have some more fun with science.

## Property

### Voluntary Support from the Corrections Crew

Ngāti Toa School is lucky to have support from the Corrections crew, who are completing voluntary community work at our kura on fine Saturdays between 9am and 3pm.

They've been doing a fantastic job tidying up some of the larger, overgrown areas – starting with clearing our fenceline, blackberry, and gorse. These are big jobs that go beyond what our hardworking caretaker, Matua Jamie, can manage alone. As part of their work, the crew uses weedeaters and mowers.

For everyone's safety, please stay well clear of their work areas and be mindful that they may be onsite during fine Saturdays, 9am–3pm.

## Te Poari

Voting for the board elections have closed. Good luck to all our candidates. The new board will take over on Wednesday 10 September. Their first board meeting will be Monday 15 September at 5.30pm.

## Dates to remember

### 10 Hepetema

Board takes office

### 15 Hepetema

Yr 4-6 Girls

Futsal Tournament

### 15 – 20 Hepetema

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori

### 17 Hepetema

Te Awa Rere  
Art Exhibition

### 19 Hepetema

Last day of Term 3, 3pm



# Community Notices

**September**  
**Holiday Heroes**  
**WEEK 1: IT'S BEATLES WEEK**

OVER 3 FUN-FILLED DAYS. PICK YOUR INSTRUMENT (DRUMS, GUITAR/UKULELE, OR KEYBOARD) AND LEARN MAGICAL BEATLES HITS! WRAP IT UP WITH A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE FOR YOUR PARENTS ON THE LAST DAY! NO MUSIC EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

3 DAY WORKSHOP: \$199.00 9.00AM - 4.00PM  
EARLY START: \$10 8.30AM - 9.00AM  
FOR 6 YEARS & OVER

**TUES 23 SEP**  
Welcome & introduction  
Choose your instrument  
Start rocking out to Beatles hits!  
**WED 24 SEP**  
Keep learning and performing your Beatles song  
**THU 25 SEP**  
Final practice and polish  
Perform your song at a special show for parents at 3:30 pm

PLUS COOL GAMES TO BURN OFF SOME STEAM!  
BASKETBALL!  
AIR HOCKEY!  
ARCADES!  
FOOSBALL!

Goodtime Music Academy, Lower Hutt  
[WWW.GOODTIMEMUSICACADEMY.CO.NZ/HOLIDAY-PROGRAMME](http://WWW.GOODTIMEMUSICACADEMY.CO.NZ/HOLIDAY-PROGRAMME)

**October**  
**Holiday Heroes**  
**WEEK 2: IT'S NZ MUSIC WEEK**

OVER 3 FUN-FILLED DAYS. PICK YOUR INSTRUMENT (DRUMS, GUITAR/UKULELE, OR KEYBOARD) AND LEARN COOL KIWI HITS! WRAP IT UP WITH A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE FOR YOUR PARENTS ON THE LAST DAY! NO MUSIC EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

3 DAY WORKSHOP: \$199.00 9.00AM - 4.00PM  
EARLY START: \$10 8.30AM - 9.00AM  
FOR 6 YEARS & OVER

**TUES 30 SEP**  
Welcome & introduction  
Choose your instrument  
Start rocking out to NZ hits!  
**WED 1 OCT**  
Keep learning and performing NZ music songs  
Enjoy plenty of breaks and fun games  
**THU 2 OCT**  
Final practice and polish  
Perform your song at a special show for parents at 3:30 pm

PLUS COOL GAMES TO BURN OFF SOME STEAM!  
BASKETBALL!  
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**Porirua Judo Academy**  
Level 1, 11 Cobham Court, Porirua  
Email: [info@poriruajudo.org.nz](mailto:info@poriruajudo.org.nz)







UNESCO recognises Judo as the best foundational physical training for kids. Every kid who comes to our dojo is supported by our dedicated, experienced coaches who are committed to helping kids become the best that they can be. Come and see what Porirua Judo Academy can do for your kids.

**School Holiday Programmes**  
22 September-3 October

  


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**NATURE BRACELETS**  
**OPEN NIGHT**



Titahi Bay Brownies have places available for next term. We're having an Open Night on Tuesday 2nd September for girls who are 7 years old (or turning 7 before the end of the year) to come along for a free visit.

Brownies make lifelong friends, discover the thrill of outdoor adventures, and learn skills that will shape their future. Titahi Bay Brownies meet on Tuesday 4pm - 5.30pm at Tireti Hall. Fees are \$110 per term at all levels of Guiding.

If you'd like more info or to save a place for the Open Night, please email [tbayguiding@gmail.com](mailto:tbayguiding@gmail.com) or enquire via the Girl Guiding NZ website.

## Referee Opportunity

Total Touch are always on the look out for keen junior Touch players to join the TT Referee Whānau. As a referee, you will benefit from increased confidence, knowledge of the rules and self-confidence. Referees are trained and well supported throughout their journey. Referees are rostered around their games (if they play) and general availability. Referees receive \$5 per game and the opportunity to attend other competitions and tournaments in Wellington, as well as NZ.

To become a referee, you will need to complete the Online Referee Foundation Course and attend at least one practical training session before the season starts. We have a meeting on 18 September at Hutt Park where we meet all referees, go over how the season looks and are readily available for questions.

Please head here for more information and to register - <https://totaltouch.fmweb.nz/referees>



## Quick Guide to SchoolDocs for the School Community

Information for school staff, students, parents, and whānau

SchoolDocs is an online policy platform for schools in Aotearoa. Your SchoolDocs site contains policies that are specific to your school and can be accessed by the whole school community.

### Using SchoolDocs

Website	<input type="text" value="https://ngatitoa.schooldocs.co.nz"/>
Username	<input type="text" value="ngatitoa"/>
Username	<input type="text" value="ngatitoa"/>
Password	<input type="text" value="heart"/>

Enter the login information for your SchoolDocs site here.



Related policies are grouped together on SchoolDocs, with links to supporting information and resources.

- To find a policy, type a keyword into the search bar, or browse the site using the table of contents. Click the black arrows to open each section.
- Search for **Quick links for staff** and **Quick links for parents and whānau**, which provide links to useful policy information.
- For more information about using SchoolDocs, see the Help tab at the top of your SchoolDocs site.



### Reviews and feedback

**Start your review**

All SchoolDocs schools follow a 3-year review cycle to keep policies up to date. For review information each term, see **Current Review** at the top of the site.

- You can provide **content feedback** to suggest changes to improve the content of a policy.
- You can provide **implementation feedback** about how the policy is implemented at your school.



If you find information that's incorrect during a review (e.g. location of first aid supplies), **do not** submit this through the review tool. Let the principal or board know that it needs to be updated.



If you'd like to comment on a policy that's not under review, you can use the **feedback button** to send an email to your school. This feedback is not sent to the SchoolDocs team.